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SUBJECT: DIALOGUE WITH EC PRESIDENCY-NOVEMBER 13-14

POLITICAL DIRECTORS' MEETING IN ROME

REF: ROME 16320

1. IN CONNECTION WITH NOVEMBER 13-14 MEETING OF EC NINE POLITICAL DIRECTORS, EMBASSY REQUESTED TO CONSULT WITH ITALIAN PRESIDENCY ON FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

2. CYPRUS: WE HAVE THUS FAR BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN EFFORTS TO CONVINCE TURKS TO MAKE SPECIFIC TERRITORIAL PROPOSALS ON CYPRUS WHICH COULD INDUCE GREEKS TO RETURN TO INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS.

- WE HAVE NOT ABANDONED HOPE THAT THE TALKS CAN BE RESUMED BUT REALISTICALLY DO NOT EXPECT THIS TO HAPPEN UNTIL AFTER UNGA DEBATE ON CYPRUS HAS BEEN CONCLUDED. IN UNGA, WE WOULD SUPPORT BALANCED RESOLUTION LIKE RES. 3212, BUT OPPOSE RESOLUTION INVITING DENKTASH OR OTHERS NON-GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES TO SPEAK.

- AFTER DEBATE, WE INTEND TO RESUME OUR EFFORTS TO GET TALKS UNDERWAY UNDER AEGIS OF SYG WALDHEIM.

- CONTINUED SUPPORT BY THE EC-9 FOR THIS EFFORT WOULD BE WELCOME -- AND MOST HELPFUL. CONSULTATION BETWEEN US WILL ALSO BE ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT OUR EFFORTS COMPLIMENT ONE ANOTHER.

3. LEBANON: WE JOIN THE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN BEING CONCERNED ABOUT EVENTS IN LEBANON, AND OVER THE POSSIBILITY THAT EVENTS THERE COULD LEAD TO A WIDER MIDDLE EAST WAR. WE HAVE TALKED WITH THE MOST INFLUENTIAL ARAB GOVERNMENTS TO ENCOURAGE THEIR SUPPORT OF MODERATE ELEMENTS IN LEBANON WHO ARE ATTEMPTING TO WORK OUT A COMPROMISE. WE HAVE ALSO TALKED WITH THE ISRAELIS ABOUT THEIR VIEWS OF THE SITUATION IN LEBANON AND THE DANGERS OF OUTSIDE INTERVENTION.

- FUNDAMENTAL CHANGES ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE POLITICAL BALANCE WITHIN LEBANON. WHEREVER WE HAVE HAD
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THE OPPORTUNITY, WE HAVE ENCOURAGED THE CHRISTIAN ELEMENTS TO CONSIDER MEETING SOME OF THE LEGITIMATE CONCERNS OF THE MOSLEM SIDE. WE WOULD NOT WANT TO SEE THE POSITION OF THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY JEOPARDIZED, BUT WE FEEL SOME COMPROMISE IS NECESSARY IF THEIR POSITION IS TO BE SAFEGUARDED OVER THE LONG RUN. WE HOPE THAT THE EUROPEANS CAN ALSO GET ACROSS THIS IDEA.

4. KOREA:

- BACKGROUND: ALL EC-9 COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO
- SUPPORT THE US POSITION ON BOTH KOREAN RESOLUTIONS WHEN THE UNGA PLENARY MEETS ON NOVEMBER

- 18. BARRING UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, WE ANTICIPATE THAT BOTH WILL BE ADOPTED BY A PLURALITY OF VOTES SIMILAR TO THE RECORD ESTABLISHED IN THE FIRST COMMITTEE. EFFORTS BY SWEDEN AND SEVERAL OTHER COUNTRIES TO REACH AGREEMENT ON A COMPROMISE RESOLUTION WERE ABANDONED BECAUSE OF NORTH KOREAN INTRANSIGENCE. THERE MAY STILL BE LAST MINUTE EFFORTS AT COMPROMISE BUT MOST LIKELY PROSPECT IS THAT THERE WILL BE A VOTE ON THE TWO RESOLUTIONS. WE HAVE INDICATIONS THAT NORTH KOREA AND ITS SUPPORTERS ARE MAKING STRONG EFFORTS TO ERODE OUR MAJORITY.

- TALKING POINTS: WE APPRECIATED SOLID EC-9 SUPPORT IN THE FIRST COMMITTEE VOTE ON KOREA.

- IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THESE POSITIONS BE MAINTAINED IN THE PLENARY AND WE THEREFORE WELCOME THE CONTINUED EFFORTS OF CO-SPONSORS AMONG THE EC-9 TO MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE THE FIRST COMMITTEE

VOTING PATTERN.

5. ANTI-ZIONISM RESOLUTION:

- BACKGROUND: UNGA NOVEMBER 10 ADOPTED RESOLUTION THAT "DETERMINES THAT ZIONISM IS A FORM OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION" BY VOTE OF CONFIDENTIAL

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- 72-35 (US)-32. EC-9 REPS SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH EFFORTS MADE BY THEIR GOVERNMENTS, ESPECIALLY ITALY AS CHAIRMAN, AND BY US TO (1) DEFER VOTE UNTIL NEXT GA OR (2) STIFFEN OPPOSITION TO RESOLUTION. EMBASSY WILL HAVE STATEMENTS BY PRESIDENT AND DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ON WIRELESS FILE (EUR - 16, 17 AND 24, NOVEMBER 11, 1975).

- TALKING POINTS: USG COMMENDS EC-9 FOR ITS STRENUOUS EFFORTS, SUPPORTED BY OUR EMBASSIES IN MANY CAPITALS, TO BLOCK THIS RESOLUTION AND TAKES SATISFACTION THAT, AS A RESULT, SOME LDCS DECLINED TO JOIN AUTOMATIC MAJORITY, VOTING INSTEAD AGAINST RESOLUTION, OR ABSTAINING.

- USG AT HIGHEST LEVEL HAS DEPLORED CHARACTERIZATION OF ZIONISM AS A FORM OF RACISM. PRESIDENT FORD REITERATED THIS POSITION IN A STATEMENT NOVEMBER 11.

- WE ARE ALREADY EXPERIENCING STRONG ADVERSE

- REACTION IN CONGRESS TO ANTI-SEMITIC THRUST OF
 - RESOLUTION. THOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN CALLS FOR
 - REASSESSMENT OF US ROLE IN UN, THE WHITE HOUSE
 - SPOKESMAN HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE US WILL NOT
 - CONSIDER WITHDRAWAL.
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- BEYOND THAT, THERE WILL BE DECREASE IN
 - PUBLIC SUPPORT OF THE UN, A DEVELOPMENT WE RE-
 - GRET BECAUSE THE UN IS AN INSTITUTION THAT
 - SERVES US AND EC-9 POLICY INTERESTS IN MANY IM-
 - PORTANT WAYS.

6. POLITICAL PRISONERS:

- BACKGROUND: THE US INTENDS TO PROPOSE A RESOLU-
 - TION IN THE UNGA'S THIRD COMMITTEE CALLING FOR
 - AN AMNESTY FOR ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS. THE
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- RESOLUTION IS BEING INTRODUCED NOVEMBER 12.
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- TALKING POINTS: WE SEEK BY THIS INITIATIVE TO EMPHA-
 - SIZE THE NEED TO ADOPT A MORE EVENHANDED
 - APPROACH TO HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS IN THE
 - UNITED NATIONS.
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- UN PRACTICE IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD HAS BEEN
 - TO CRITICIZE ONLY A FEW GOVERNMENTS AND TO
 - IGNORE OTHER VIOLATORS. OUR RESOLUTION ADDRESS-
 - ES AN APPEAL TO ALL GOVERNMENTS.
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- THE RESOLUTION IS CAREFUL TO DEFINE POLITICAL
 - PRISONERS SO AS TO EXCEPT FROM ITS SCOPE ANY
 - PRISONERS GUILTY OF HAVING COMMITTED ACTS OF
 - TERRORISM.
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- THE RESOLUTION ALSO PROVIDES FOR FOLLOW-UP
 - MEASURES IN THE UN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
 - AND ITS SUB-ORGANS, WHERE IT IS OUR HOPE THAT
 - THE SUBJECT OF POLITICAL PRISONERS WILL BE
 - FURTHER DEALT WITH.

7. DISARMAMENT:

- IF RAISED BY PLAJA, YOU SHOULD EXPRESS SATIS-
 - FACTION WITH CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN US AND EC-9
 - DELS IN NEW YORK IN CONTEXT OF UNGA FIRST
 - COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF DISARMAMENT (WHICH
 - IS SCHEDULED TO CONTINUE THROUGH DECEMBER 6).
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- INITIAL MEETING OF WESTERN DISARMAMENT DELS
 - INCLUDING ALL EC-9 ON NOVEMBER 5 WAS REPORTED

- BY USUN 5690.

8. ANGOLAN RECOGNITION:

- BACKGROUND: EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED STATE 265503,
- GIVING DETAILS OF US POSITION ON QUESTION OF
- ANGOLAN RECOGNITION. OUR POSITION OF NOT
- RECOGNIZING ANY ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT REMAINS UN-
- CHANGED, DESPITE THE RIVAL CLAIMS OF SOVEREIGNTY
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- MADE BY MPLA AND FNLA/UNITA ON NOVEMBER 11. THE
- STATE DEPARTMENT ISSUED A PRESS STATEMENT ON
- NOVEMBER 11 EXPRESSING SYMPATHY FOR THE PEOPLE
- OF ANGOLA IN THE TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES ATTEND-
- ING THEIR ACHIEVEMENT OF INDEPENDENCE AND HOPE

- THAT THE OAU WILL SUCCEED IN BRINGING AN EARLY
- END TO THE FIGHTING AND IN PROMOTING NEGOTIATIONS
- AMONG ALL ANGOLAN PARTIES.

- THE MILITARY SITUATION IN ANGOLA REMAINS
- BASICALLY UNCHANGED FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S
- LAST REPORT. THE FNLA CONTINUES TO THREATEN
- LUANDA FROM THE NORTH AND THE FNLA/UNITA COLUMN
- COMING FROM LOBITO HAS REACHED NOVO REDONDO ON
- THE COAST AND IS PROVIDING AN INCREASING THREAT
- TO LUANDA FROM THE SOUTH. FIGHTING ALSO CON-
- TINUES IN THE ENCLAVE OF CABINDA. AT THE UN IT
- NOW APPEARS THAT SHOULD AN MPLA MEMBERSHIP
- APPLICATION BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL,
- IT WOULD LIKELY RECEIVE ONLY 5 VOTES OF SUPPORT
- (USSR, BYELORUSSIA, IRAQ, MAURITANIA, AND TAN-
- ZANIA) AND WOULD BE DEFEATED BY EIGHT ABSTEN-
- TIONS (US, UK, FRANCE, SWEDEN, ITALY, JAPAN,
- CHINA, COSTA RICA); NINE VOTES ARE REQUIRED FOR
- ADMISSION. POSITIONS OF CAMEROON AND GUYANA ARE
- PRESENTLY UNCLEAR. THOSE LISTED AS ABSTAINING
- WOULD ALSO LIKELY SUPPORT A DEFERRAL OF ANY MPLA
- APPLICATION.

-TALKING POINTS: THE US AGREES WITH THE RECOMMENDA-
- TIONS OF THE OAU CONCILIATION COMMISSION ON
- ANGOLA THAT A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY BE
- FORMED IN ANGOLA, THAT A CEASEFIRE BE
- ESTABLISHED, AND THAT NO RECOGNITION BE EXTENDED
- TO ANY SINGLE MOVEMENT THAT MIGHT DECLARE IT-
- SELF SOVEREIGN AT THE OUTSET OF INDEPENDENCE.

- WE WILL NOT TAKE ANY STEPS OF RECOGNITION PEND-
- ING A CLARIFICATION OF THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA.
- WE WILL RECOGNIZE A GOVERNMENT WHICH HAS THE

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- GENERAL SUPPORT OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE, CONTROLS
- THE BULK OF ITS TERRITORY, AND IS PREPARED TO
- CARRY OUT ANGOLA'S INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES; WE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE A FACTION
- WHICH CONTROLS A MINORITY OF THE POPULATION AND
- TERRITORY OF ANGOLA.

- IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE
- EC SHARE OUR VIEWS ON THIS ISSUE, AND WE
- WOULD HOPE TO COORDINATE OUR ACTIONS WITH THEM
- IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

WE

- ARE PRESENTLY COORDINATING WITH EC-9 MEMBERS ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL AT THE UN. IT
- APPEARS THAT ANY EFFORT BY THE MPLA TO OBTAIN
- ADMISSION TO THE UN AT PRESENT WOULD BE DEFEATED BY ABSTENTION AND NOT REQUIRE A VETO. KISSINGER

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